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**Subject:** Issues for HB 4293 for Submission to Regulatory Reform Committee

Dear Representative Crawford,

I'm writing to express opposition to a few sections of HB 4293 as written. I request this opposition be submitted into the Regulatory Reform Committee meeting scheduled for testimony on HB 4293, in lieu of being in attendance to testify in person.

While I support the overall goals of legalizing consumer fireworks, I would like to request the current HB 4293 be amended primarily to:

1. Remove the automatic felony wording for causing serious injury or death. While fireworks have the potential to cause injury, they are no different than cars, firearms, boats etc. Using cars, firearms, boats, or fireworks have the potential for accidents that can cause injury (sometimes, unfortunately serious injury). Accidents can happen from manufacturing defects or other unintended events, so I believe the automatic felony wording from an accidental injury (even a serious one) is not appropriate.

2. Wording needs to be amended to separate display fireworks (professional fireworks) from consumer fireworks. Display fireworks are regulated by the BATF federal regulations so lumping them with consumer fireworks in this bill will cause a conflict of regulation and confusion.

Sincerely,  
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